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Sir:

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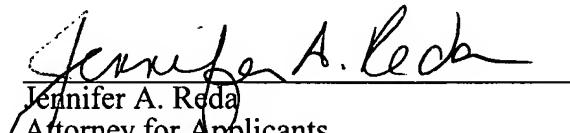
The cited reference was called to Applicants' attention in a search report issued by the European Patent Office in a foreign counterpart application. A copy of the search report is enclosed.

Please note that three references cited in the European Search Report (US 2001-0022363 A1, JPA 2-260460, JPA 2002-124655) were cited in the June 9, 2005 Information Disclosure Statement filed in the present application.

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